REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-12, 15-26 and 29-33 are pending in the present application. Claims 14, 28, 35 and 36 have been cancelled herewith. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

I. 35 U.S.C. § 102, Anticipation

Claims 14, 28, 35 and 36 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Ksiazek (U.S. Patent No. 6,597,765 B1). This rejection is now moot as Applicants have cancelled such claims herewith, without prejudice or disclaimer, such that this case can expeditiously pass to issuance.

Therefore, the rejection of Claims 14, 28, 35 and 36 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) has been overcome.

II. Allowable Claims

Applicants graciously acknowledge the allowance of Claims 1-12, 15-26 and 30-33.

III. Conclusion

It is respectfully urged that the subject application is now in condition for allowance. The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number if in the opinion of the Examiner such a telephone conference would expedite or aid the prosecution and examination of this application.

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